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21 February 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing by the Director of Defense Subcommittee and
Military Construction Subcommittee of House
Appropriations - 15 and 16 February 1967

1. The Director met with the two Subcommittees of House Appropriations, the Defense Subcommittee and the Military Construction Subcommittee, for the posture and world situation briefing. These hearings lasted a full two days, running from about 10:00 a.m. in the morning until noon, and then from about 2:00 p.m. until 4:30 or 5:00 p.m. Present from the Subcommittees were:

15 September 1967

George H. Mahon
Robert L. F. Sikes
Jamie L. Whitten
George W. Andrews
John M. Slack, Jr.
Joseph Addabbo
Glenard P. Lipscomb
William E. Minshall
John J. Rhodes
John J. McFall
Edward J. Patten
Clarence D. Long
Burt L. Talcott
Charles Raper Jonas

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Joseph Addabbo
John J. McFall
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Edward J. Patten
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William E. Minshall
John J. Rhodes
Burt L. Talcott

Present from the Subcommittee staffs:

Robert L. Michaels
Frank P. Sanders
Ralph Preston
John Garrity

Accompanying the Director were:

R. J. Smith
Carl Duckett
William N. Morell, Jr.

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Transcripts were taken of the entire hearings and were handled under special procedures where they were in the technical custody of the Agency along with tapes, carbons, etc. There was a sweep of the room and technical monitoring during the hearings.

2. The Director read from the prepared briefing covering all of the Soviet material, all of the Chinese Communist material, and then covered the additional following topics in accordance with the briefing notes:



The Director summarized the briefing notes on Cyprus and Iran.

3. Prior to the prepared briefing, the Director furnished a brief statement on the National Student Association situation covering the major points of the subsidy to the NSA.

4. One of the high points, according to some of the members, was the Director's response to a series of questions the thrust of which was where do the Soviets really stand today. The Director gave a complete answer pointing out in some detail how the character of the Soviet government has changed while their objectives have not.

5. Mr. Lipscomb had a little trouble with some of the charts on economic aid and these are being reworked. There were no serious difficulties and the briefing went well.

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